KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET OFFICE OF TRANSPORTATION DELIVERY SOLICITATION OF PROPOSALS FOR FEDERAL TRANSIT GRANTS

The Office of Transportation Delivery of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet is seeking proposals from public and non-profit entities to assist in the delivery of public and specialized transportation services. Services would be provided under 49 U.S.C. Sections 5303, 5304, 5307, 5310, 5311, 5316 and 5317, including all amendments.

Section 5311 provides Federal operating and capital assistance with required local match for nonurbanized area general public transportation assistance in areas currently unserved, coordinates programs and services to improve service levels in areas with minimal service and assists in the maintenance and improvement of public transportation systems in nonurbanized areas. To apply for assistance under Section 5311 or Section 5311(f) nonurbanized intercity, please notify this office in writing by January 23, 2011 of your intent to submit a proposal. Proposals are subject to availability of funding.

Section 5307 provides Federal operating, capital and transit planning assistance with required local match for small urbanized areas (50,000 to 199,999 population) for general public transportation. To apply for assistance to provide these services in the **Radcliff-Elizabethtown small urban area**, please notify this office in writing by January 23, 2011 of your intent to submit a proposal. Proposals are subject to availability of funding.

Section 5303 The Metropolitan Planning Program (MPP) provides Federal transit planning assistance with required local match to help urbanized areas (UZAs) plan for the development, improvement, and effective management of their multimodal transportation systems. MPP funds are available to carry out the metropolitan transportation planning process and meet the transportation planning requirements of the joint Federal Transit Administration (FTA)/Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) planning regulations. In general, MPP grants are available to assist States, authorities of the States, Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), and local governmental authorities with: preparing transit plans and programs; evaluating public transportation projects; and conducting technical studies related to public transportation. To apply for assistance to provide these services, a draft work plan must be submitted to this office by April 1, 2010. Proposals are subject to availability of funding.

Section 5304 The State Planning and Research Program (SPRP) provides Federal statewide transit planning assistance with required local match to encourage and promote the safe and efficient management, operation, and development of surface transportation systems that will serve the mobility needs of people while working and coordinating with the State and public transit operators. This program provides financial assistance to States for statewide transportation planning and other technical assistance activities including supplementing the technical assistance program provided through the Metropolitan Planning Program (MPP), planning support for nonurbanized areas, training and educational programs, human resource programs, transportation plans and programs, planning and evaluating public transportation projects, and conducting technical studies relating to public transportation. To apply for assistance to provide these services, please notify this office in writing by January 23, 2011 of your intent to submit a proposal. Proposals are subject to availability of funding.

<u>COORDINATED PUBLIC TRANSIT-HUMAN SERVICE PLAN:</u> (applicants below must be located in an area with an approved Coordinated Plan.)

Section 5310 provides Federal capital assistance with required local match for eligible agencies that serve the needs of the elderly and persons with disabilities in urban or nonurbanized areas where transportation services are unavailable, insufficient, or inappropriate. Local transit providers are expected to participate in the development of a Coordinated Public Transit-Human Service Transportation Plan. To apply for assistance under Section 5310, please notify this office in writing by January 23, 2011 of your intent to submit a proposal. Proposals are subject to availability of funding.

Section 5316 – Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) programs provide employment and employment-related transportation services, with required local match, to the low-income population in both rural and small urbanized areas, as well as reverse commute programs. Capital and operating assistance is eligible. Local transit providers are expected to participate in the development of a Coordinated Public Transit-Human Service Transportation Plan. To apply for assistance under Section 5316, please notify this office in writing by January 23, 2011 of your intent to submit a proposal. Proposals are subject to availability of funding.

Section 5317 – New Freedom Initiative (NF) provides new public transportation services and public transportation alternatives, with required local match, beyond those required by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) for both rural and small urbanized areas. Capital and operating assistance is eligible. Local transit providers are expected to participate in the development of a Coordinated Public Transit-Human Service Transportation Plan. To apply for assistance under Section 5317, please notify this office in writing by January 23, 2011 of your intent to submit a proposal. Proposals are subject to availability of funding.

Final Applications for these programs are due in the Office of Transportation Delivery by April 1, 2011 for the 2012 State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2011. All proposals and related documents shall be subject to financial assistance between the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet and the United States Department of Transportation/Federal Transit Administration. Transportation entities receiving Federal assistance will be required to comply with all applicable Federal, State and local laws and regulations.

Final applications should be forwarded to Vickie S. Bourne, Office of Transportation Delivery, Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, 200 Mero Street, Frankfort, KY 40622 by close of business on April 1, 2011. Correspondence or questions shall be directed to Eric Perez at the address listed above or by telephone at (502) 564-7433 or by FAX at (502) 564-2058.

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's goal is to "provide a safe, efficient, environmentally sound and fiscally responsible transportation system which promotes economic growth and enhances the quality of life in Kentucky." The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet is an equal opportunity employer M/F/D.